

2 May 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Resume of OCB Luncheon Meeting, 1 May 1957

PRESENT: Mr. Herter, Mr. Cutler, Mr. Dulles, Mr. Larson,  
Mr. Hollister, Mr. Quarles, Mr. Dearborn,  
Mr. Gray, Admiral Strauss, Mr. Staats

1. \$15 Million for Indonesia

The DCI called attention to items in the press concerning a \$15 million aid grant for Indonesia, pointing out that this appeared to be poor timing for such an announcement and should have had closer coordination in the Government. There was general agreement to this principle. Mr. Hollister stated that this was something which has been developing over a long period of time and just came out routinely when final approval was given for this aid.

2. News Stories on Efforts to Oust King Hussein

The DCI informed the Board of the news stories which have appeared in the press in Lebanon disclosing the efforts made in Jordan to oust King Hussein.

3. Ambassador Richards Itinerary

Mr. Herter informed the Board that Ambassador Richards was returning from the Middle East so as to be present when the MSA presentation was made to the Congress. It has been decided that on route to the US Ambassador Richards will visit Israel on purely a courtesy call. He will also visit Tunisia and Morocco.

NSC review(s) completed.

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4. NSC Action 1631

The rewording of NSC Action 1631 was re-edited by the Board and the following is the now agreed text:

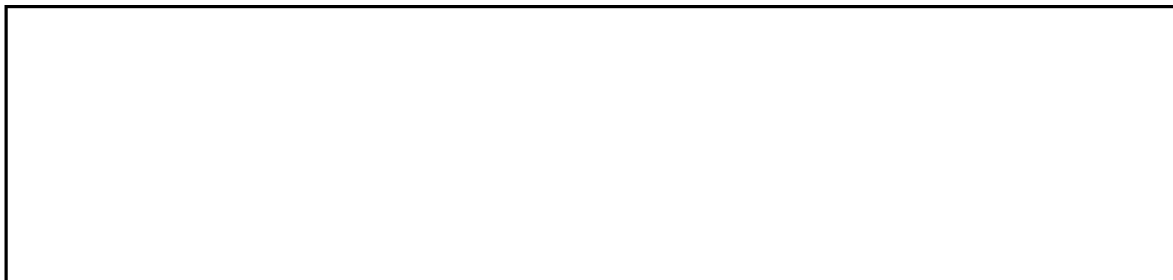
"The Operations Coordinating Board, in close collaboration with the Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission, will be responsible for coordinating and clearing within the Government the texts and timing of all initial oral or written public statements by U.S. Government officials regarding (a) the scope, nature and timing of U.S. nuclear tests, (b) characteristics and performance of U.S. nuclear and nuclear-capable weapons, and (c) deployment of U.S. nuclear-capable weapons to areas under sovereignty of other nations. The Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission may clear statements of this nature without OCB coordination when made in the ordinary course of Atomic Energy Commission business, including Congressional appearances.

"Heads of departments and agencies will be responsible for the observance of this directive by their subordinates and to this end will ensure that all appropriate personnel within their responsibility are familiar with the contents of this directive."

It was recognized that when this NSC Action is changed in accordance with the above, technically, there will be no NSC directive on record relating to foreign nuclear tests. It was thought, however, that the procedures for coordinating releases on foreign tests are well established and understood, and that no practical disadvantage will derive from this change in NSC Action 1631.

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25X1 A meeting of the designated representatives under NSC 5412/2 was held on 1 May 1957 at 1:30 PM. The following were present: the Under Secretary of State, Mr. Herter; the Deputy Secretary of Defense, Mr. Quarles; the Special Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, Mr. Cutler; the Director of USIA, Mr. Larson (attended in an advisory capacity); and the DCI. Approval

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Substitute OCB Recommendation

Official Statements Regarding Nuclear Weapons

The Operations Coordinating Board, in close collaboration with the Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission, will be responsible for coordinating and clearing within the Government the texts and timing of all initial oral or written public statements\* by U. S. Government officials regarding (a) the scope, nature and timing of U. S. nuclear weapons tests, (b) characteristics and performance of U. S. nuclear and nuclear-capable weapons, and (c) deployment of U. S. nuclear and nuclear-capable weapons to areas not under U. S. sovereignty. The Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission, may clear statements of this nature without Operations Coordinating Board coordination, when made in the ordinary course of Atomic Energy Commission business, including Congressional appearances.

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\* Oral or written public statements include (1) public speeches by Government officials; (2) articles prepared by Government officials for publication in official or unofficial journals, magazines, etc.; (3) testimony in open hearings of the Congress; (4) official press releases, Government-sponsored TV and radio programs, etc. Routine military orders deploying nuclear-capable organizations and vessels to areas outside the United States and its Territories and unclassified technical publications and training manuals, dealing with the characteristics of new weapons, are not included in the scope of this action.